

Fiscal Note



Fiscal Services Division

SF 2322 – Volunteer Firefighter and EMS Tax Credit (LSB 6106SV)

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Description

<u>Senate File 2322</u> creates a nonrefundable income tax credit for qualified volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services (EMS) personnel. The credit equals \$50 per year and begins in tax year 2013. Individuals eligible as both firefighters and EMS personnel will receive one \$50 credit.

Assumptions

- The total number of firefighter and EMS personnel is estimated to be 21,000 and that number will be steady over future fiscal years.
- Of the 21,000, 87.0% will be able to claim all or a portion of the tax credit.
- The local option income surtax for schools equals approximately 3.0% of State individual income tax liability statewide. Adjustments to tax rates, tax exemptions, and nonrefundable tax credits impact the revenue generated by this local surtax.

Fiscal Impact

The tax credit for volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel will reduce net State General Fund revenue by an estimated \$900,000 per year beginning in FY 2014.

There will also be a negative impact to the local option income surtax for schools, reducing annual revenue by \$27,000 beginning in FY 2014.

Sources

Department of Revenue Department of Public Safety Department of Public Health Bureau of EMS

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